

**SH-75 Timmerman to Ketchum – US-20 to Saddle Road
Blaine County, Idaho**

**FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
and
FINAL SECTION 4(f) EVALUATION**

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The proposed action includes improvements to approximately 27 miles of State Highway 75 (SH-75) from US-20 to Saddle Road in Ketchum, Idaho. The project passes through unincorporated Blaine County, the Cities of Bellevue, Hailey and Ketchum and borders on the City of Sun Valley. The project's southern terminus is the intersection of SH-75 with US-20; its northern terminus is the intersection of SH-75 and Saddle Road in northern Ketchum. The purpose of this project is to increase SH-75 roadway capacity to accommodate existing peak-hour vehicle traffic and future year 2025 vehicle traffic; and to increase transportation safety for all users. Three alternatives, including the No-Build Alternative were advanced and considered in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Alternative 2 was identified as the Preferred Alternative. Alternative 2 includes reconstruction and widening of SH-75, intersection improvements, two bridge replacements, improved at grade and new grade-separated pedestrian crossings, and bus transit pull-outs.

This Final EIS has a review period of 30 days after which the Federal Highway Administration will issue a Record of Decision.